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**COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS, RESPONSE JOURNAL TOPICS, VOCABULARY**

**Instructions: Please answer the questions below in the space provided under each question. Your journal response and vocabulary word definitions should be done in the same fashion. Use as much room on this form as you need to complete each section.** [**You should upload to this page**](http://glendalegrade7.wikispaces.com/AM+Humanities+7) **when you are finished.**

# CHAPTER FIVE

**Comprehension Questions:**

1. What qualities does Nurse Mac have that make Charlie like her so much more than the other nurses? She is a really nice nurse you could even say she spoils Charlie.

2. Davy is bored with questions about what happened to his legs. He thinks “the only thing worse would be if people stopped asking questions.” Explain what he means by this. I think he means the opposite of what he said.

3. Charlie has a dream in which his father is floating out to sea and is unreachable. In your opinion, why does Charlie have this dream? Maybe because he misses his dad and they are breaking apart.

4. Do you think that Davy is going to die? Why does Davy tell Charlie that he’s dying?

5. Davy tells Charlie that he has “s halitosis.” Look up the word “halitosis” in the dictionary. What do you think Davy is really trying to do? Davy is telling Charlie that he has OFFENSIVE BREATH.

**Response Journal Topics:**

Have you ever played a practical joke on anyone? Write about what happened. Did the person feel bad about it afterward? No I have never if I did that to my friend he would be very mad and if I did that to my family…….. I would be in big trouble .

Do you think that it was a positive or a negative experience for the people involved?

Charlie says something to Davy that he regrets. He thinks, “That was the problem with words—once you said them, you couldn’t unsay them.” Describe an experience where you felt this way yourself. I got in a fight with my friend and I said some awfull things about him so I really regret saying that. I apoligized about it so its ok

**Vocabulary:** *efficient*, *loppy*, *shunted*, *contagious*, *solarium*

*Efficient:* *Achieving maximum productivity with minimum wasted effort or expense.*

*Loppy:Loppy arms*

*Shunted: A part of a train*

*Contagious: Spread to person or organism*

*Solarium:* *A room fitted with extensive areas of glass to admit sunlight.*